



Mass Intentions August 23 – August 29, 2021 **Prayer Calendar**

	St. Anne	St. Joseph	Diocese of Hamilton
Monday 8:00 am	No Mass	+ Mother of Cecilia Mendonca - Cecilia Mendonca	Rev. Msgr. Raymond Modeski
Tuesday 7:00 pm	+ Jeanne Held - Estate	+ Barry Ruetz - Julie & Andy Wybenga	Rev. Franjo Sprajc
Wednesday 8:00 am	+ Fr. Eugene Pietrasik - Hayek Family	No Mass	Ursuline Sisters (o.s.u.)
Thursday 8:00 am		+ Barry Ruetz - Tony & Anne Marie Gauvin	Rev. Arthur Scidmore
Friday 8:00 am		No Mass	Rev. Peter Meyer
Saturday St. Anne 4 pm St. Joseph 5 pm	+ Roger Farwell - Lynda & Kurt Munz	+ Maria Rocha - St. Joseph Place Friends + Souls in Purgatory - Julia Domingues	Rev. Donald Sanvido
Sunday St. Anne 9:30 am St. Joseph 11 am	Parishioners of St. Anne + Ed & Demerise Lafleur - Kevin & Jo Ann Schmalz	Parishioners of St. Joseph + Ildebrando Silveira - Maria Silveira + Orlanda Amorim - Carlos & Children + Bob Issler - Maria Rosa Issler	

SUNDAY LIVE-STREAMED MASS

Our Churches are open and we follow public health measures of masking and social distancing. Our weekend and weekday Masses are celebrated at the usual times. This Sunday's Mass will be live streamed from St. Joseph Church at 11:00 am.

Church Offering Report: once a month. Offertory envelopes can be dropped off in the parish mailbox. Please call the office to pick up your **Church envelopes**.

Pre-Authorized Giving: *next withdrawal – September 15th*
More information is available on our websites.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR PARISH CAMPAIGN



This Week's Liturgical Readings
August 22, 2021 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 1) Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b
- 2) Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32
- 3) John 6:60-69

FOCUS: The immense love God has for his people prompts us to love in return.

The theme for today's readings is fidelity between God and his people. How loyal are we to Jesus? Are we able to take Peter's words as our own? *Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.* How well do we even know the words of Jesus? Let us recommit ourselves to deepening our knowledge and love of the Lord.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, Joshua and the tribes of Israel state their fidelity to the Lord God. In his Letter to the Ephesians, Saint Paul draws a parallel between a spousal relationship and the radical love between Christ and the Church. In the Gospel, Jesus proclaims that his words are *Spirit and life*, after which only some of his followers continued as disciples.

RCIA PROGRAM

If you or someone you know wishes to become a Catholic or to explore the Catholic faith and possibly join the Church, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the program for you. It will start in October, please call St. Anne: 519-745-5302 or St. Joseph: 519-745-9302.

ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

St. Teresa of Avila Parish, 44 Leonard St., Kitchener: we would like to resume Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in our Divine Mercy Chapel on September 3, 2021 (First Friday). We are reaching out now to those who would like to sign up for adoration. We want to ensure we can safely open our chapel and expose the Blessed Sacrament. If you are ready to dedicate 1 hour, please contact our parish office at 519-743-4525 and we will place you on our list. We require at least one person per hour for adoration. Please remember the time spent in front of the Blessed Sacrament is never wasted!

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL HYGIENE DRIVE

We will be collaborating with the Hospital in collecting donated hygiene and other in-demand products for patients in need: toothpaste, brushes, floss, soap, body lotion, shampoo, towels, hair brushes, diapers, etc. Beginning after Labour Day you can drop off any packaged, unopened items in the bins at the back of the church or in the front lobby of the hospital at 911 Queen's Blvd. For more info please call the parish office. Thank you on behalf of the staff and patients at St. Mary's for your generosity.

ADORATION FOR LIFE

- Thurs., Sept. 2: Mass 9 am followed by Holy Hour 9:30 am, St. Agnes Church, Waterloo
- Thurs., Sept. 2: following Mass at noon, 12:30-1 pm, St. Mary Church, Kitchener
- Fri., Sept. 3: 5-6 pm, St. Teresa Church, Adoration Chapel, Kitchener, Mass 7 pm
- Rosary for Life last Saturday of the month before the 5 pm Mass, St. Boniface Church, Maryhill

More info: KW Right to Life 519-746-5433

WATERLOO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

WE ARE OPEN: Dining inside and outside: our new Patio is finally a reality. If you wish to dine in or out on the Patio, please contact Martin at 519-884-2060 to reserve for our Friday Knight Fish and Chips Dinner, BEST IN THE REGION. To order take out, call Derek 226-748-8378 by 4 pm Friday.

We have cancelled the Spaghetti Dinner on Wednesday night, but it will be returning in September of 2021.

We look forward to welcoming you back, especially to our new patio. May God bless and keep you safe.

BISHOP CROSBY'S LETTER ON RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

In response to the recent discoveries of unmarked graves on the site of former Residential Schools across Canada, His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, issued a Pastoral Letter entitled: *To Inform, To Encourage, To Heal*. Here is the link: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/residential-schools/>.

His Excellency's letter, along with multiple resources have been encompassed in a special section on the left side on our diocesan website.

NOVENA OF CARMEL OF ST. JOSEPH

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the **Novena to Little St. Therese, September 23rd to October 1st, 2021**. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to St. Therese. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to: Carmel of Saint Joseph; 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1; St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0.

DIOCESAN VOCATION CORNER

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to Him on our journey as married, single, ordained or consecrated persons. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, please contact the Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or e-mail:

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Website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>